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## SENATOR ALLARD SECURES \$123.32 MILLION FROM KEY MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS PANEL FOR FORT CARSON, COLORADO SPRINGS

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-Colorado) has secured \$70.6 million for improvements at Fort Carson, and an additional \$52.72 million for other Colorado Springs military installations in a 2006 military construction funding bill approved Tuesday by the Military Construction Appropriations Subcommittee, of which he is a member.

"I continue to work in the Senate to ensure that Fort Carson remains one of the premier military training centers in the nation, and this funding strengthens that position," said Senator Allard, a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

"This shows the subcommittee continues to assign a high priority to seeing that Fort Carson has the infrastructure and facilities it needs to continue providing first-rate training to our men and women in uniform, and make sure they have the resources they need to carry out their missions," said Senator Allard, a member of the Senator Appropriations Committee. "This funding will be particularly helpful as thousands of soldiers are transferred to Fort Carson as part of the BRAC process."

New funding for Fort Carson improvements approved by the subcommittee includes:

- \* \$14.6 million to continue work on a troop deployment facility (at Peterson Air Force Base)
- \* \$25 million for the barracks complex
- \* \$28 million for the Combined Arms Collective Training Facility
- \* \$2.5 million for two urban combat training centers, one for regular troops and one for Special Forces.

Other Colorado Springs-area military construction funding provided by the bill includes:

- \* \$12.8 million for Peterson Air Force Base West Gate Force Protection Access
- \* \$15.1 million for Peterson Air Force Base to privatize family housing
- \* \$1.82 million for Peterson Air Force Base Life Skills Support Center
- \* \$13 million for the U.S. Air Force Academy to upgrade its academic facilities
- \* \$10 million for the U.S. Air Force Academy to privatize family housing